

REMARKS

I. The 35 U.S.C. §102 Rejections

Claims 1-3, 9, 13-15, and 21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,694,546 issued to Reisman ("REISMAN").

A. Independent Claims 1 & 13

Independent claims 1 & 13 have been amended to include limitations not disclosed or suggested by REISMAN. Specifically, these claims added the steps of calculating a cache benefit index and using the cache benefit index to determine whether to cache a set of files. The cache benefit index was disclosed on pages 7-8 and 12-14 of the present pending application. Accordingly, no new matter has been added. Applicant believes these claims are now in condition for allowance.

B. Claims 2-12

Claims 2-12 are dependent upon claim 1 and therefore should also be in condition for allowance.

C. Claims 14-24

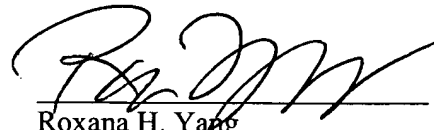
Claims 14-24 are dependent upon claim 13 and therefore should also be in condition for allowance.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would help advance the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

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